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## Iowa Milk Production

**Iowa:** Milk production in Iowa during August 2011 totaled 350 million pounds, down less than 1 percent from August 2010. The average number of milk cows at 199,000 head, was down 4 percent from August 2010. Production per cow averaged 1,760 pounds, up 4 percent from August 2010.

**United States:** Milk production in the 23 major States during August totaled 15.3 billion pounds, up 2.2 percent from August 2010. July revised production at 15.4 billion pounds, was up 0.5 percent from July 2010. The July revision represented a decrease of 45 million pounds or 0.3 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate.

Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,810 pounds for August, 18 pounds above August 2010.

The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.47 million head, 102,000 head more than August 2010, and 3,000 head more than July 2011.

## Milk Cows and Production: Selected States, August 2010 and 2011

State	Milk Cows <sup>1</sup>		Milk Per Cow <sup>2</sup>		Milk Production <sup>2</sup>		
	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011	Change from 2010
	(1,000 Head)	(1,000 Head)	(Pounds)	(Pounds)	(Million Pounds)	(Million Pounds)	(Percent)
Arizona .....	180	187	1,765	1,810	318	338	6.3
California .....	1,753	1,777	1,940	1,970	3,401	3,501	2.9
Colorado .....	120	129	2,025	2,000	243	258	6.2
Florida .....	114	119	1,335	1,400	152	167	9.9
Idaho .....	571	582	2,000	2,040	1,142	1,187	3.9
Illinois .....	99	98	1,495	1,540	148	151	2.0
Indiana .....	169	171	1,645	1,680	278	287	3.2
Iowa .....	<b>207</b>	<b>199</b>	<b>1,700</b>	<b>1,760</b>	<b>352</b>	<b>350</b>	<b>-0.6</b>
Kansas .....	120	124	1,725	1,750	207	217	4.8
Michigan .....	359	368	1,955	1,955	702	719	2.4
Minnesota .....	470	471	1,595	1,520	750	716	-4.5
Missouri .....	99	96	1,150	1,090	114	105	-7.9
New Mexico .....	318	330	2,040	2,065	649	681	4.9
New York .....	611	610	1,790	1,785	1,094	1,089	-0.5
Ohio .....	270	266	1,610	1,590	435	423	-2.8
Oregon .....	121	123	1,730	1,765	209	217	3.8
Pennsylvania .....	541	539	1,670	1,640	903	884	-2.1
Texas .....	415	435	1,695	1,795	703	781	11.1
Utah .....	85	88	1,830	1,820	156	160	2.6
Vermont .....	137	134	1,570	1,580	215	212	-1.4
Virginia .....	95	96	1,475	1,450	140	139	-0.7
Washington .....	252	265	2,015	2,045	508	542	6.7
Wisconsin .....	1,263	1,264	1,725	1,745	2,179	2,206	1.2
23-State Total <sup>3</sup> .....	8,369	8,471	1,792	1,810	14,998	15,330	2.2

<sup>1</sup> Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh. <sup>2</sup> Excludes milk sucked by calves. <sup>3</sup> As of February 2009, the 23 States are Arizona, California, Colorado, Florida, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, New Mexico, New York, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Texas, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, Washington, and Wisconsin.